

# SCHOOL BUS DRIVER TRAINING VIDEOS & BOOKS

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VIDEO TITLES	APPROXIMATE LENGTH
Advanced Techniques for Special Ed Bus Drivers	19 minutes
Behind the Wheel: Precision Backing Conventional (Type C) Buses	28 minutes
Behind the Wheel: Precision Right & Left Turns Conventional Bus	46 minutes
Small Bus	46 minutes
Transit Bus)	46 minutes
Behind the Wheel: Pre-Trip Inspection Small Bus	46 minutes
Conventional Bus	46 minutes
Transit Bus	46 minutes
Behavior Management (2 Tapes) <b>#1: Transporting Special Needs Children with Commitment &amp; Care (Not Available)</b> #2: Kids Are People, Too! #3: Don't Loose Your Touch	
Bus Discipline – A Positive Approach (4-tape set) Role of the Administrator	40 minutes
Role of the Driver	23 minutes
Role of the Teachers	26 minutes
Solving Persistent Problems	23 minutes
Bus Evacuation for Special Ed Bus Drivers	18 minutes
Bus Evacuation Drills for Students	10 minutes
Car Seats on School Buses: Safe Solutions for Transporting Children	20 minutes
Confidential Records: Training for School Bus Drivers	16 minutes
Evacuating a School Bus	20 minutes
<i>For You – The Veteran Driver, see Veteran Driver</i>	
Garrett Metal Detectors	
Growing Respect on Your Bus: Student Management Strategies For Preventing Bullying and Harassment	30 minutes
If Buses Could Talk	
Intervention Strategies for School Bus Drivers	
Intervention Strategies for Special Ed Bus Drivers	18 minutes
Introduction to Special Ed Bus Driving Safety	19 minutes
	20 minutes

Minnesota School Bus Drivers Series	18 minutes
#1: Emergency Procedures Pre-Trip Inspection	
#2: Fundamentals of Bus Driving	20 minutes
School Bus Driving Techniques	25 minutes
#3: Winter and Adverse Weather Conditions	10 minutes
Student Management	10 minutes
#4: Emergency Evacuation	15 minutes
Ghosts of Grade Crossing X	20 minutes
#5: Are You Reading Me	15 minutes
Children in Traffic.	23 minutes
#6: Freeway Driving-Making Critical Decisions	10 minutes
Sharing the Road with Big Trucks	15 minutes
#7: Looking Good	14 minutes
To Drive at Night	18 minutes
	9 minutes
Necessary and Reasonable Force	13 minutes
Professional Bus Driver Series (7 tape set)	
#1: The Professional Bus Driver and Student Safety	
#2: Establishing a Positive Environment on Your Bus	
#3: Dealing with Severe Disruptions	20 minutes
#4: Engaging the Support of School Administrators	20 minutes
#5: The Role of the Bus Driver in Public Relations	20 minutes
#6: Establishing a Positive Attitude and Taking Care of Yourself	20 minutes
#7: Handling Students With Special Needs	20 minutes
	20 minutes
Reducing School Bus Idling: a Key to a Healthier Ride	20 minutes
Safe Driving: A School Bus Driver's Series II	
Defensive Driving	5 minutes
Using Your Mirrors	
Emergency Maneuvers	10 minutes
Safe School Bus Crossing Procedures	10 minutes
Safest Way Out: Emergency School Bus Evacuation	10 minutes
General Drivers Version	
Special Needs Drivers Version	19 minutes
General Student Education Version	
Safety Awareness for School Bus Drivers	16 minutes
<b>Safety Techniques for Tying Down Wheel Chairs (Missing)</b>	16 minutes
Someone Who Made A Difference: the Key Role of Bus Attendants	12 minutes
	20 minutes
Veteran Driver – For You	
Violence Prevention on a School Bus	16 minutes
Why Wait: A Highway-Rail Grade Crossing Safety Message for New Drivers	26 minutes 21 minutes
	18 minutes

## BOOK TITLES

Dorn, Michael. ***School/Law Enforcement Partnerships: a Guide to Police Work in Schools***. Dallas, TX, Ram Publishing Co., 2002.

Dorn, Michael. Weakfish: ***Bullying Through the Eyes of a Child***. Safehavens International, 2003.

### Driver In-service and Training Program

Effective August 16, 2002, each yellow school bus driver is required to complete 10 hours of continuing education annually. There are many ways to insure that a district is in compliance with the new requirements.

First of all, the district board and administration should understand and implement pupil transportation laws, regulations and policies. They must plan and conduct pupil safety education programs as needed. They must maintain adequate records and work to promote school bus safety and efficiencies. This will include planning and conducting a school bus driver-training program.

School bus transportation is an integral part of today's educational system. The school bus driver is expected to present a strong role model for children, as well as represent the school district before the public. When the driver is professional and knowledgeable, he/she will encourage social responsibility among the students. A quality driver-training program is critical to the success of a school transportation program.

A continuing education program for school bus drivers providing at least 10 hours of in-service training annually shall include but is not limited to training for: Pre- and post-trip inspections, passenger boarding and de-boarding procedures, driving skills, defensive driving, railroad safety, passenger management, safety and emergency procedures, and special needs sensitivity and awareness.

The spring MAPT conference provides at least 10 hours of driver training in many and various ways. The conference fee is probably the best bang for the buck that anyone could receive for this training.

Other options include the videos contained in the OPI Driver Training Library. The videos usually last about 12 to 24 minutes. Time spent watching and discussing the videos will count towards the 10 hours of annual training requirement.

In addition, time spent studying for and taking the "S" endorsement test required by the federal government will count towards completion of the school bus driver training requirement of 10 hours. While most drivers can study for and complete the test in not more than 3 hours, occasionally a driver will need more time. In those cases a total of 4 hours could be used towards the 10 hours.